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## **Missouri Public Service Commission**

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### **PSC APPROVES WATER SYSTEM ACQUISITION**

Jefferson City (January 6, 2005)---The Missouri Public Service Commission has approved an application authorizing the acquisition of LTA Water Company by AquaSource/RU Incorporated d/b/a Aqua Missouri, Inc.

In the joint application, the water companies stated the purchase of assets of LTA Water Company by Aqua Missouri, Inc. was not detrimental to the public interest because the sale would not result in any reduced level of service or reliability or a change in rates for current LTA Water Company customers.

In a memorandum filed with the Commission on December 3, 2004, the PSC Staff recommended the application be approved.

The Commission's order approving the application states: "The Commission finds that the transfer of assets will not be detrimental to the public interest, and will approve it. The Commission finds it is necessary and convenient for the public interest for Aqua Missouri to operate the assets transferred from LTA, and so will grant a certificate of convenience and necessity."

Aqua Missouri, Inc. furnishes regulated water service to approximately 960 customers in various locations in Missouri. LTA Water Company provides regulated water service to approximately 90 customers in Taney County near Branson, Missouri.

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